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Treasury Department
Sept. 3. 1838.

Sir,

Your communication, dated the 1st inst. advising the Department of the receipt of the proceeds of the Smithsonian legacy at the Mint has been received, and it is hoped, that the necessary certificate of the value thereof will reach here by the mail tonight, as some negotiation, entered into cannot be completed until it is received.

The coinage of the Gold will, it is hoped, proceed as rapidly as practicable. I shall be obliged to draw on the mint occasionally during the autumn: but I trust not so as to be inconvenient or to reduce the ^{very} balance ^{below $\frac{3}{4}$ million} materially, before the winter or spring.

I remain very Respy
Yours Altho. S

Genl Woodbury

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Dr. B. M. Patterson

Director of the Mint.

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